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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Criminal Tribes Act

Reformation of criminal tribes in Bellary district.

*1023 Q.—Mr. A RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) the aboriginal and hill tribes and criminal tribes found in the district of Bellary and the measures, if any, adopted by the Government for their reformation;

(b) whether any and, if so, what tribes among them are under the care of the Labour Department; and

(c) the castes, if any, the members of which are more or less frequently dealt with under the Criminal Tribes Act and whether they are under the care of the Labour Department?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) The hon. Member is referred to the list of castes, tribes and races printed at pages 10–11 of Volume II of the Gazetteer of the Bellary district. The Government are not aware which of those tribes are aboriginal and hill tribes. The following tribes have been notified under the Criminal Tribes Act in the Bellary district:—

1. Rudrapad Korachas.
2. Donga Yerakulas.
3. Donga Dasaris.
4. Nirshikaris.
5. Sugalis—certain sections.
6. Boyas of Rayadrug, Alur and Bellary taluks.
7. Picharis in Sanapuram and Sugganahalli villages—Hospet taluk.

All aboriginal and hill tribes and criminal tribes come under the category of depressed classes and measures for the amelioration of the depressed classes are carried on by the Labour Department.

Of the above criminal tribes, certain Rudrapad Korachas have been placed in the Sitanagram Settlement and certain Donga Dasaris have been interned in the Hubli Settlement in the Bombay Presidency.

Depressed Classes

Admissions to the Paddison Hostel.

*1024 Q.—Rao Sahib R. SRINIVASAN: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) the number of applications received by the Commissioner of Labour for admission into the Paddison Hostel for the current year;

(b) the number of students admitted;

(c) whether Government have any proposal to admit a larger number of students during next year; and

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(*d*) whether it is a fact that poor students undergoing collegiate course admitted into the Paddison Hostel have to find money to pay fees in advance for the first quarter ?

A.—(*a*) Ninety-six.
(*b*) New admissions 23.
Readmissions 32.
(*c*) No.
(*d*) Six students had to do so, but the amounts were subsequently recouped by them through scholarships.

Rao Sahib R. SRINIVASAN :—" With reference to the answer to clause (*d*), may I know whether Government have any proposals to pay in advance to these students their scholarships as they are very poor and unable to raise loans ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" As far as I know, there is no such proposal."

Admissions to and increased accommodation for the Paddison Hostel.

* 1025 *Q.*—Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the total number of applications received for admission of students in the Paddison Hostel, Royapetta, Madras, in July 1929 ;
(*b*) how many Madras and mufassal students were admitted;
(*c*) whether the Government have any proposal to acquire a permanent and bigger building for the above hostel ; and
(*d*) if not, whether the Government will be pleased to acquire one to give room for a larger number of students coming from the mufassal ?

A.—(*a*) Ninety-six.
(*b*) Six from Madras and seventeen from the mufassal were newly admitted.
(*c*) No.
(*d*) The question will be considered if the expansion of the numbers is thought desirable.

Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI :—" Since only 23 students were admitted out of 96 who applied, does not the Government think that the time has now come that better facilities should be afforded to admit more ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" If the Commissioner of Labour makes any such proposal, the Government will consider it."

Alleged delay in the payment of salary to the warden of the Nayady Colony at Olavakote.

* 1026 *Q.*—Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the warden of the Nayady Colony at Olavakote was not given his salary since his appointment till September 1929 ;